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TO AMEMBASSY LISBON IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: BGEN, PO

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SUBJECT: TORRINGTON DEVELOPMENTS

FROM LAINGEN FOR OKUN

1. TORRINGTON PRESIDENT RAY O'CONNELL, ACCOMPANIED BY MANUFACTURING MANAGER ASHMEAD AND WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER CALLED ON ME JULY 1 TO DISCUSS COMPANY'S DIFFICULTIES IN PORTUGAL. O'CONNELL MADE IT CLEAR THAT TORRINGTON DOES NOT WANT TO CLOSE ITS PORTUGUESE SUBSIDIARY, BUT MAY BE FORCED TO DO SO BY GOP'S FAILURE TO ENFORCE ITS OWN LAWS. WE SAID DEPT. SHARES TORRINGTON CONCERN OVER GOP-AUTHORIZED WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM FROZEN COMPANY ACCOUNT. WE REVIEWED HISTORY OF REPEATED REPRESENTATIONS BY EMBASSY LISBON IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING DIRECT CONTACT WITH PRIME MINISTER AND WITH OTHER CABINET MEMBERS. I TOLD O'CONNELL THAT

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WE WOULD CALL IN PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR TO PROTEST AGAIN

TREATMENT OF TORRINGTON AND THAT WE WOULD INSTRUCT  
EMBASSY LISBON TO MAKE SIMILAR PROTEST TO GOP.

2. ON JULY 2 TORRINGTON INFORMED US THAT A NEW MEETING  
HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 4:00 P.M. LISBON TIME, JULY 3.

BECAUSE OF BROAD RANGE OF PARTICIPANTS IN THAT MEETING  
(COMPANY, COMPANY ATTORNEY, COPCON REPRESENTATIVES,  
AFM REPRESENTATIVES, WORKERS' COMMISSION, MINISTRY  
OF LABOR AND U.S. COMMERCIAL ATTACHE), TORRINGTON  
IS INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT THE GOP IS FINALLY  
MOVING TOWARD A RESOLUTION OF THIS THREE-MONTH O  
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